Take Time by the Forelock and Avoid the Bush-Practical Instructions for the Manufacturer of Pretty and Useful Presents-Handkerchief Bags and Workbags.



soon be filling the minds of women, and this problem will require speedy solution if one wishes to enjoy to the utmost the holiday season. There is nothing more tiresome than to be obliged at the last minnte to rush around and buy one's gifts, spending more than one can well afford when by the exercise of a little forethought money and strength can be saved. Begin in time; plan your work; look over your materials in hand; buy judiciously, and then go to work and make-bags, for they never come amiss. No matter how many one has, a new one is always acceptable.

One pretty bag, a snitable present for a child or its mother, is to be used for handkerchiefs and is made as follows: Cut two round pieces of pasteboard about seven inches in diameter and cut wadding the exact size, using two layers for the inside of the bag. Upon the wadding sprinkle sachet powder. Then lay the disks of wadding upon one of the pieces of pasteboard and hold then in place by covering the circle with cheese cloth. Cover the other circle with pale pink satin, of which the bag is made. This pink satin is very delicate looking when the white roses (procured external beauty" tha at a milliner's) encircle it.

The strip (just long enough to go sweet self it would around the circle) is turned over at the soft brown spike sit. top to form a hem, at the lower edge of which a casing should be made by stitch- censers till the air is filled ing the hem around twice on the machine, using pale pink sewing silk. In the casing put two white silk cords to draw up the bag. Then sew the strip to the lower pasteboard used for the bottom and afterward insert the scentel circle, catching it in place with invisible stitches. Turning it right side out again, catch the roses all around the base of the bag, and the bag is done. I don't think any of my readers have a lady friend who would not be pleased to receive one of these dainty handkerchief bags.

Cut a round piece of wood six inches in diameter and cover one side with a piece of coarse linen, in the center of which embroider a monogram or initial in satin stitch, with yellow silk; the back of the board is neatly covered with the same as other material. Around one-half of the board, forming a semicircle, are a number of small brass screw hooks about an inch apart, from which hang small bags, each 4 by 5 inches and prettily worked in odd letters with yellow silk, white thread, linen thread colored thread, silk twist, pearl buttons, hooks and eyes or anything you desire. In each bag put a drawing cord of silk, Hang the board by a large brass ring, hidden under a huge bow of yellew ribbon at the top. These bags are very convenient, and may be made of almost

any material. For a fanbag purchase one yard and a half of No. 9 ribbon. Cut this in two and join lengthwise by a double row of small brass rings covered with embroidery silk the color of the ribbon. A single row of these rings borders each of the inner edges of the ribbon to within two inches of the ends of the ribbon which are to be fringed. This is doubled in the center and the sides joined. Ribbons are run through the rings at the top from either side, leaving them long enough to slip over the arm. Serviceable and pretty little workbags

of the small oblong baskets-about 4 by 6 inches—to be found at almost any shop where Japanese goods are kept. For the upper part of the bag procure two yards of dark yellow ribbon, No. tional flower. What 9, and ten yards of the same color a few all our native plants shades lighter. Then cut these in twelve strips of equal length and join altogether. After they are all joined a hem 31/4 inches deep is turned and finished with two rows of stitching one inch apart. | fear and without rej The other edge is finished with a very narrow hem and fastened to the basket with invisible stitches. Ribbons run through the casing finish the bag. Another pretty bag is made of two but even if Nova So chamois, each 5 by 6 appropriated it as inches, which are painted around the is, with all its dair dges with clover blossoms and leaves. suitable accompania The designs on the two pieces should be | whom the sunflower similar, but not exactly the same A panion.

the green of the clover leaf, four inches wide and one yard long, is gathered and connects the two pieces of chamois along the sides and across the bottom as a puff. A straight piece of silk six inches deep and the width of the bag is sewed to the bag. A hem two inches deep is turned with two rows of stitching for the ribbons which are green, matching the silk.

Still another lively bag is made of two shades of No. 13 old rose satin ribben, one and two-thirds of a yard of each being used. The ribbons are cut into strips alternating the light and the dark. A bottom for the bag is made by covering a round piece of pasteboard with wadding sprinkled with sachet powder, and then covering both sides with old of ten inches and oversewed together, then covering both sides with old rose silk. The ribbon is narrowly hemmed on one side and sewed to the pasteboard. The top is hemmed and has a wide ruffle of soft lace and draw strings of narrow GERTRUDE WILLETT.

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SERMONS.

Every now and then a great ado made in the newspapers over the offering for sale of sermons in England and in this country. We never have seen, however, any exposition of reasons why it is deemed a crime of such enormity to preach a sermon written by another. Of course if a minister attempts to palm off the sermon of another as his own, that would be a belnous offence against the moral code; and if the denunciations of the press were addressed against this, all would applaud.

But there seems to be an idea almost universal that upon no account would of his own writing. More's the pity. How much weariness, both on the part of pastor and people, could be saved were it allowable for the preacher announce from the pulpit that he would deliver a sermon written by Spurgeon, Alexander or other justly distinguished pulpit orator; and then give his congregation the benefit of some of the best thinking and writing of the century or indeed of the past centuries.

Many a most excellent pastor, more useful in his congregation than any mere orator could be, has only tenth rate literary ability perhaps, so that his sermons are simply endured the one thorn upon the highly prized rose. Now did but custom allow it this good, useful and well beloved pastor could de liver to his congregation as tine sermons as are enjoyed by the best provided cherebes in the land. would not be obliged to follow the sermon in all its details nor refrain from making alterations and special applications. To satisfy the hypercritical be might announce before beginning that the sermon was in the main that of Dr. Alexander but edited by himself to more perfectly fit the occasion.

But even pastors of great literary ability have seasons of distraction and weariness when it seems impossible to compose satisfactorily. What a relief it would be if a volume could be taken down from the shelves to furnish that which the unwilling brain cannot be goaded into producing. But custom does not allow it and pastor and con gregation both suffer in consequence

It cannot be said that the thoughts one man delivered by another will not produce effects, because large audiences are alternately moved to tears and laughter and have both mind and heart powerfully wrought upon by the writings of one person delivered by others. The stage, of course, is a well known example of this, and there are many others that will readily suggest themselves If reading of hymns and passages of Scripture, creeds and the like are not only permissible but effective, why should not a good sermon be so likewise

We are confident that should the ex periment be tried the division of labor between writer and speaker would soon gain universal approval.

Officers of Bloomfield Council, Roys Arcanum, were elected last night follows: Regent, J. H. Hardcastle; Vice Regent, John A. Oakes; Orator, Joseph P. Hague; Past Kegent, E. E. Baldwin Secretary, George S. Beford; Collector, George M. Wood; Treasurer, Dr. S. C. W. L. Johnson; Warden, Edward P Johnson; Sentry, William R. Moir Trustee, H. L. Osborne; Grand Representative, J. H. Hardcastle; Alternate, J. Banks Reford.

Lauter's Journal of Music The Christmas number of this publication is one of the choicest, and is in fact the best Journal of the entire year. Besides the mass of reading matter it con tains a number of the very best and most desirable pieces published. The minuet now offer their fine Upright Planos on by Pade wekl, one of his most admired the 3-year system, that is on three years compos. lons, together with a gavotte by time, without extra charges or interest. Bohm, called "Little Dearest," and a This is a most convenient way to buy scherzo by Broustet, entitled "Dream plano, and certainly the terms, from \$7 After the Ball," are contained in the in- to \$12 per month, are liberal enough to strumental department. "They All Love | suit anybody. The Waters Planos have Jack,"by Stephen Adams, and"The Raft," | been known for fifty years and are famby Pinsuti, a descriptive song for so- ous for fine tone and great durability. prano, fill the vocal parts of the book. Each plano is warranted six years to be The Journal may be obtained free upon | first-class in every respect and to give application at the plane and organ ware- entire satisfaction. If you intend purrooms of S. D. Lauter Company, 857 and | chasing a plane don't fall to send to 659 Broad Street, Newark.

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SPRING DUCKS.

A Letter to the Public. TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN :

SIR: Essex H. & L. Co: No. 1 has al ways had the esteem of the citizens, and I wish to present the proper facts in the controversy with the Township Committee in regard to the bell tower. Shortly after its organization the company built the tower, under an architect's specifications, to hold the bell, weighing 2,068 be. It paid for the tower, and bought, paid for, and owns the bell. The natural life of the structure, without the electric alarm, might be from ten to fifteen years, exposed as it is to the weather. About two years ago the Township Committee put the battery room, striking apparatus, etc., up in the tower, at least doubling the weight the structure was intended to carry. It was formerly struck by hand, without jarring, and now is struck by the falling of nearly three-fourths of a ton of iron, causing the tower to sway with every blow. This has caused the roof to leak and has ruined the handsome ceiling in the reading-room. It is the opinion of the members of the company that the tower is not very strong, and, unless strengthened, may be overthrown by the high winds, or striking of the bell, or both combined. Now what does the company wish in

this matter? I will first answer by telling what they do not wish. They do not wish money, though they have given much. The town has had the use, without expense, of the bell and tower (which cost us \$1,500) for years, is welcome to the past, and can have the future use on certain conditions. The question is, shall we continue to mainnothing for it, and run the risk of having to pay for any damage that may occur, if the thing falls down owing to the fact that the town has overloaded it? The answer seems easy, and is easy. It is "No." Ordinary business precaution for members of a corporation (who are individually as well as collectively liable) says, "Protect yourselves against such a contingency or remove part or all the weight from the tower, and if necessary take it down." It may stand some years as it is, and the writer thinks that with proper bracing it will. A lease drawn by the Fire Committee, by direction of the Township Committee, has been presented to that body, giving the town the use of the bell and tower for \$1 per year, provided that the township will assume any damage that may be caused by its falling, and has been laid over to next Monday. Its execution by the Township Committee is all the company asks. The Township Committee should then bave the tower examined

by an expert, and make such repairs as are needed to make it safe. These, fellow citizens, are our require ments in this matter, and are they not

you were in our place? ONE OF THE OWNERS.

Hallen and Hart Coming to Miner's. The popular farce comedians, Hallen and Hart, will begin an engagement at Miner's Newark Theatre on Monday evening, December 12. They are to bring forward for the first time here an entire ly new play. It is said to be of a finer grain and purpose than their familiar skit, "Later On." There is promised the same attractive songs and music, withmore abundant and natural humor and a consistent though airy story upon which to hang it all. The story of the piece pivots on the helpless manouvrings of well-intentioned old fellow, who is bursting with reform notions. The immoral drift of the world at large and his own little world in particular keeps him in a ferment of unrest which leads to a great many humorous complications. He is the aggressive head of several law and order leagues and reform societies, and is humorously bustling most of the time to elevate and purify the local current of social affairs. Mr. Hart interprets the role of an eccentric Penn sylvanian with more wit than wisdom and a fondness for the other sex out o which arises most of the fun. Mr. Hallen's part is that of an ultra-fashionable sprig whose years of discretion would not make much of a sum in arithmetic and Shoes, Boys' Shoes, Rubbers and Sandals, Alaswhose most serious thoughts are upon clothes and the gentler sex. In the company are, besides the principals John McWade, Molly Fuller, Fanni Bloodgood, Al Wilson, Donald Harold, Emma Seymour, Alice Carle, Adelaide Crawford, Mabel Nichols, Lulu Nichols, Harry Hilton, and several others of individual value.

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Rev. R. B. Collins, pastor. Preachin at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sundayschool at noon, Epworth League Prayer Meeting at 6,45 P. M. Leader, Miss Lilla Cadmus. Strangers always wel-

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Glen Ridge Congregational. The Rev. F. J. Goodwin; pastor. vices at 10,30 A. M., and 7.45 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 o'clock. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7.15 P.

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